

REMARKS

The declaration of Karl Hamberg is submitted herewith. Mr. Hamberg's declaration shows that he is an expert regarding the subject of his testimony and accordingly his opinion on this subject should be given weight. Mr. Hamberg's declaration shows that the present invention, as defined in the independent claims 8, 14 and 16, would not have been obvious to a person of ordinary skill in the art in view of the disclosure of Oshima and Heer et al. Mr. Hamberg's opinion is supported by explanation and logical reasoning. In view of the facts presented in Mr. Hamberg's declaration, and the arguments previously presented in support of allowability of the claims, applicant submits that the claims currently of record are allowable and requests early allowance of this application.

Respectfully submitted,



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